Principal's Weekly Update

Steven Campbell • 7 days ago • Monday, Nov 28 at 3:39 PM • Santa Maria High School

Good afternoon parents and students, the message this week is probably pretty predictable. With only two weeks of classes before finals week, it is quickly becoming crunch time for students completing their semester grades. Unlike the first two grade reports, the grades recorded at the semester <u>do</u> go on the students' permanent transcripts. In other words, these grades count!!

As we just completed our College Application Submission Party and are having multiple nights of the Cash for College, we need to see the important role we all play in students, and especially seniors, completing their courses with a C or better to remail eligible for four-year college eligibility. This year we have held more student conferences than ever for seniors struggling to complete the UC/CSU A-G application requirements. The point of this is to ensure students and parents understand what is at stake. In short, these next three weeks are really important because students need a C or above in each of their required classes to be college eligible.

Students or parents, if you have any questions about your/your child's grades for this fall please don't hesitate to contact the teacher or your counselor. Let's rally together to keep as many students as possible, no matter what grade they're in now, on track to graduate and be college eligible when they're seniors.

Sincerely,

(Steve Campbell, Principal SMHS)

Reminders:

*SDM - Monday 11/28/22 4:15PM via ZOOM

This week in Athletics:

Santa Maria High School Weekly Athletic Bulletin WEEK #17 Nov 28 thru Dec 3 Schedules are TENTATIVE and are subject to change.								
DATE	DAY	ТЕАМ	Time	LOCATATION	OPPONENT	Release	Coverage	Trans
29-Nov-22	Tues	Girls Basketball	JV: 4:45	Arroyo Grande	TBA	3:15pm		394/381
29-Nov-22	Tues	Boys Basketball	6pm Alumni Game	SMHS	Scrimmage		Kenna	
30-Nov-22	Wed	Girls Soccer	JV: 4:15 Varsity: 6pm	SMHS	RHS	3pm	Chris	
30-Nov-22	Wed	Boys Soccer	4:15pm Frosh 6:00 Varsity	RHS	RHS	Frosh 2:30pm		379
1-Dec-22	Thurs	Girls Basketball	JV: 3:15	Arroyo Grande	TBA	1:30pm		379/381
1-Dec-22	Thurs	Girls Basketball	Varsity 5:30pm	Bishop Diego				437/394
1-Dec-22	Thurs	Boys Basketball	5:45 JV	St Joes	Tournament			
2-Dec-22	Fri	Girls Soccer	JV: 4:15 Varsity: 6:00p.m.	Templeton	Templeton	JV/Var 2:00pm		Bus 2:15
2-Dec-22	Fri	Girls Basketball	4:00	Bishop Diego	Tournament			437/394
2-Dec-22	Fri	Boys Basketball	3:30 JV Varsity 6:30pm	Coast Union	Coast Union	JV 1:30pm		379/381
2-Dec-22	Fri	Boys Basketball	3pm/5:30pm Frosh	St Joes	Tournament	Frosh 1:30pm		
2-Dec-22	Fri	Girls Wrestling	11am	Moncahe High	Tournament			458/438
3-Dec-22	Sat	Girls Wrestling	ТВА	Moncahe High	Tournament			458/438
3-Dec-22	Sat	Girls Basketball	JV: TBA	Arroyo Grande	Tournament			379/381
3-Dec-22	Sat	Girls Basketball	12:30/3:30	Bishop Diego	тва			437/394
3-Dec-22	Sat	Boys Basketball	11:30am/2pm JV	St Joes	Tournament			
3-Dec-22	Sat	Boys Basketball	5:45 Frosh	St Joes	Tournament			
3-Dec-22	Sat	Boys Wrestling	Old Dutch Varsity	RHS	Wrestling Tourn			

Messages from Administration:

From Curriculum & Instruction (Asst. Principal Monica Pallan)

Last Thursday (and then Friday night as well) night our counseling team held their second annual College Application Submission Party in the library (see below). During this event students were celebrated and receive support in submitting their college applications. There were counselors from both SMHS and AHC, as well as the rest of our guidance team there to assist students with the process. The event celebrated each submission, included dinner, and was an exciting night for all involved. It was a huge success and saw over 150 seniors submit applications.

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From Student Services (Asst. Principal Ivan Diaz)

SMHS Guitar Orchestra (led by our very own John Van Wei) will perform on Sunday, November 27th, at the Santa Maria Mall at 1 pm and on Saturday, December 3rd, at SMHS at noon. They will be playing an array of songs from traditional <u>Holiday Music</u> to heavy metal-based music from <u>Metallica</u>. Come by and support our SMHS Guitar Orchestra students.

Also, our band (led by Samantha Quart- Bunten) has several holiday season gigs coming up! (See below)

- December 3rd- Elks Parade of Lights (1st one since 2019)
- December 8th- Hosting Santa Maria Bonita school bands to connect them to high school and continuing band.
- December 9th- Band Winter Concert (free)
- December 10th- Orcutt Christmas Parade (1st one since 2019)

From Special Programs Office (Asst. Principal Tim Vincent)

It is hard to believe but it is time again for our Healthy Kids Survey. This year the survey will be held during the week of final's week and is targeted only for the 9th and 11th grades. This survey will only directly affect classes within the 9th grade PE classes and the 11th grade US History classes. This survey is a statewide survey taken to provide data that will allow our district to better understand how our students perceive our school, what challenges our students are facing at our schools, and hopefully give school officials ways to better meet the needs of our students.